

Key Scripture

“Because of the Lord’s great love we are not consumed, for his mercies never fail.

They are new every morning.
Great is your faithfulness!”

Lamentations 3:22-23

Main Takeaway

With Jesus at the Center – God’s Mercy is GREAT for you! Look for it each day!

New Year: Jesus at the Center

Week 5: New Mercies

Start Talking:

1. How do you begin a letter, an email, and/or a text to someone you know and care about?
2. Have you ever wondered about the unconditional love that our pets show us?

Start Praying:

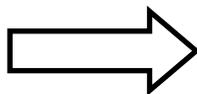
Dear merciful Father, our sin is great but your mercy is greater! Thank you for pursuing us with mercy each and every day. Help us to look for your mercy! Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen!

Start Studying:

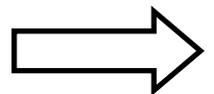
1. Read our Key Text: What is new every morning? Why is this important to look for?
2. Read Psalm 23:6: The word follow here is the word “to pursue.” There is a chase. What are you being chased by? Why does it need to chase us? How is this image powerful?
3. Read Ephesians 2:4-7: God is rich in something, what is it? Out of his riches he did a specific action, what was it? How does this help us better understand that His mercies are new every morning?
4. Read 1 Peter 1:1-5: God’s mercy gives us two specific things? What are they and why are they important? What is the connection to Easter?

Start Applying: Mercy simply means “not getting what you deserve” or “getting what you do not deserve.”

1. God is merciful. What did you deserve? What where you given?
2. In the Kyrie we sing – “Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.” Why is this a great refrain for our lives. Living it would inspire us to do what?
3. How do we stay focused on His mercy each day?
4. Great is His mercy for you! Where can you show mercy this week?



Fill out Biblical Equipping



Finish in Prayer:

Heavenly Father, Thank you for this opportunity to be in your word. Sometimes I forget how fortunate I am that you have so freely given me His grace and mercy. Give me the courage to share the same grace and mercy with those that I encounter in the coming weeks. Be with us as we are apart. Amen.

NOTES

BIBLICAL EQUIPPING

The Bible passage I will focus on is:

The part of this passage that caught my attention is:

I will apply this passage to my life by:

Before next meeting, the impact God had on me through this verse was: